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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 335 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/720,006
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Group Art Unit	1641
Examiner Name	Kartic Padmanabhan
Attorney Docket Number	RDID00115US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 CFR § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 15865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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     - i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on August 12, 2004
     - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
     - iii. ☐ Other _____
   - b. ☐ Enclosed
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     - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
     - ii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
     - iv. ☐ Other _____

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   - b. Other _____

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